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<b>Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>
	09/739,587	DOWLING ET AL
	<b>Examiner</b>	<b>Art Unit</b>
	Linzy McCartney	2671

**All Participants:**

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(2) Brenda Leeds Binder.

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**Date of Interview:** 10 October 2003

**Status of Application:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Time:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of Interview:**

L.M.

- ☒ Telephonic  
☐ Video Conference  
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

**Part I.**

Rejection(s) discussed:

Claims discussed:

1,6,10,18,23,25,35,39

Prior art documents discussed:

Dowling

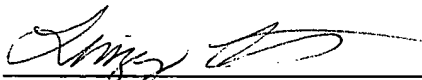
**Part II.**

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

**Part III.**

- ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.  
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.



(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Examiner contacted the Applicant and proposed amending the independent claims to include limitations from the dependent claims. The Applicant submitted a proposed amendment to amend the independent claims, for example, by including the limitations describing the black-edge policy from claim 5 into independent claim 1, with similar amendments to the remaining independent claims. Examiner and Applicant also discussed the limitation of stem spread in relation to stem width.